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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED EXAMINING GROUP 1617

PATENT

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	
Bernward SCHÖLKENS et al.	Group Art Unit: 1617
Application No.: 09/645,556	Examiner: J. Kim
Filed: August 25, 2000	Confirmation No.: 3278
For: PHARMACEUTICAL FORMULATIONS AND USE THEREOF IN THE PREVENTION OF STROKE, DIABETES AND/OR CONGESTIVE HEART FAILURE	Mail Stop AF
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed July 27, 2004, the Advisory Action mailed November 3, 2004, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, the period for response having been extended to December 27, 2004 by a request for extension of two months and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, Applicants propose amending this application as indicated below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.